

STOCKTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Annual Report of the Medical
Officer of Health for the year
ended 31st December, 1966.

Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my report for the year ended
31st December, 1966.

1. BIRTHS

There were 253 births, giving a birth rate of 17.7.

2. DEATHS

There were 101 deaths during this period, details of which
are given more fully later in the report. The crude death
rate per thousand population = 7.00, therefore the adjusted
death rate is 10.29.

3. IMMUNISATION

Persons Treated

Diphtheria, Whooping Cough & Tetanus	614
Diphtheria & Tetanus	28

4. VACCINATION

Smallpox	154
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5. INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Cases Notified

Measles	43
Tuberculosis	2
Scarlet Fever	3
Whooping Cough	6

Age group of attacks

	under 1	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-35	35-45	over 45
Measles	1	6	8	5	5	17	-	-	1	-	-
Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-	3	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
A TOTAL OF 54.											

6. CAUSES OF DEATHS

M F

1. Tuberculosis, Respiratory	1	-
10. Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	1	1
11. Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	2	-
12. Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	2
13. Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	-	2
14. Other Malignant & Lymphatic Neoplasms	3	4
15. Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	1	-
16. Diabetes	-	1
17. Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	5	9

<u>CAUSES OF DEATHS (contd.)</u>		M	F
18.	Coronary Disease, Angina	13	12
19.	Hypertension with heart disease	1	1
20.	Other heart disease	2	3
21.	Other circulatory disease	3	2
23.	Pneumonia	3	7
24.	Bronchitis	3	-
25.	Other diseases of respiratory system	1	-
28.	Nephritis and Nephrosis	1	-
29.	Hyperplasia of Prostate	1	-
31.	Congenital Malformations	-	1
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	3	3
33.	Motor vehicle accidents	3	3
34.	All other accidents	2	-
35.	Suicide	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL ALL CAUSES		<u>50</u>	<u>51</u>

7. EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

Estimated population of your district: 14,270.

(a)	<u>Live births</u>	M	F	<u>Total</u>
	Legitimate	129	115	244
	Illegitimate	6	3	9
(b)	<u>Stillbirths</u>			
	Legitimate	3	2	5
	Illegitimate	-	-	-
(c)	<u>Deaths of Infants</u>			
	Under 1 year of age (legitimate)	3	1	4
	" " " " (illegitimate)	-	-	-
	Under 4 weeks of age (legitimate)	2	-	2
	" " " " (illegitimate)	-	-	-
	Under 1 week of age (legitimate)	2	-	2
	" " " " (illegitimate)	-	-	-
(d)	<u>Ambulance Service</u>			

The number of journeys from Stockton Ambulance Depot, which also covers the Stockton Rural District was 12,432. Passengers carried were as follows:

Stretcher:	6,797.
Sitting:	<u>35,755</u>
TOTAL:	<u>42,552</u>

Total mileage was 267,340.

(e)	<u>Visits made by health visitors</u>	<u>No. of visits</u>
	Maternity & child welfare	3,126
	Tuberculosis	31
	General Health	31
	Mental deficiency	30
	School	136
	Aged people	58

(f)	<u>Mental Health</u>	
	Number of registered mentally disordered	21
	Number under supervision	17
	Number in hospital	4

(g)	<u>BLIND PERSONS</u>	
	On the 31st December there were 4 males and 12 females on the register of blind persons.	

(h)	<u>MIDWIFERY AND HOME NURSING</u>	
	<u>Births Attended by County Midwives</u>	
	Total births (live and still)	95
	Cases attended as midwife and nurse	95
	Hospital patients discharged home before 10th day	37
	TOTAL CASES ATTENDED	132
	<u>District Nurses - Visits</u>	<u>Cases</u> <u>Visits</u>
	Medical cases	232 2569
	Surgical cases	24 235
	Tuberculosis	4 100
	Maternal complications	- -

8. SUMMARY OF WORK DONE BY W. R. V. S.

Meals delivered on a 4 day/week rota to 21 recipients (32 members on rota)	2448
Meals (by donation) were delivered on Christmas day to aged residents who were alone	12
Food parcels for Christmas to the meals recipients and other aged and needy persons (including children)	50
Clothing, bedding and furniture was distributed to needy cases.	
Welfare food distribution (12 members on rota.)	

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HEALTH AND SANITARY CONDITIONS

The above have continued to be satisfactory throughout the year 1966.

I wish to thank the committee for their invaluable help and support, also the staff and other officials, both in the Rural District and the County, for their assistance.

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